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On WEDNESDAY, August 26, at 12 o'clock, m.:
The Maratanza, side-wheel steamer, 786 tons.
The Wyandotte, side-wheel steamer, 874 tons.
The Peoria, side-wheel steamer, 874 tons.
The Tacony, side-wheel steamer, 874 tons.
The Lenapee, side-wheel steamer, 874 tons.
The Yuma, screw steamer, 873 tons.

AT THE U. S. NAVY YARD, NEW YORK,

On SATURDAY, August 29, at 12 o'clock, m.:
The Tallahoma, side-wheel steamer, 974 tons.
The Augusta, side-wheel steamer, 1,310 tons.
The Don, (iron,) screw steamer, 300 tons.

AT THE U. S. NAVY YARD, PHILADELPHIA,

On TUESDAY, September 1, at 12 o'clock, m.:
The Metacomet, side-wheel steamer, 974 tons.
The Shamrock, side-wheel steamer, 974 tons.
The Sassacus, side-wheel steamer, 974 tons.
The Chenango, side-wheel steamer, 974 tons.
The Florida, side-wheel steamer, 1,281 tons.
The Hornet, (iron,) side-wheel steamer, 820 tons.
The Boxer, (iron,) side-wheel steamer, 844 tons.

AT THE U. S. NAVY YARD, WASHINGTON,

On THURSDAY, September 3, at 12 o'clock, m.:
The Accentay, side-wheel steamer of 974 tons.
The Newbern, screw steamer of 948 tons.

AT THE U. S. NAVY YARD, NORFOLK, VA.,

On SATURDAY, September 5, at 12 o'clock, m.:
The Seneca, screw steamer, of 527 tons.

AT NEW ORLEANS, LA.,

On TUESDAY, September 1, at 12 o'clock, m.:
The Mahaska, side-wheel steamer, of 822 tons.

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The Pawnee, side-wheel steamer, of 50 tons.

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PUBLIC SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS.

CUSTOM-HOUSE, BALTIMORE, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, August 8, 1868.

In pursuance of Treasury regulations I shall offer for sale at public auction, on Tuesday, September 8, 1868, at 12 o'clock m., at the United States Public Store, on the southeast corner of Lombard and Gay streets, the following described unclaimed goods, on which there is a failure or neglect to pay the duties within the time prescribed by law:

One case containing 16 dozen Saccharated Cod Liver Oil.

One case containing 50 dozen Saccharated Cod Liver Oil, imported in the steamship "Somerset," Radle, master, from Liverpool, on the 25th day of May, 1867, being marked and consigned on the ship's manifest, to Dr. S. M. Schley, Savannah, Georgia.

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CUSTOM-HOUSE, BALTIMORE, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, July 29, 1868.

In pursuance of Treasury regulations, I shall offer for sale, at public auction, on FRIDAY, 28th August next, at 12 o'clock, m., at the United States Public Store, on the southeast corner of Lombard and Gay streets, the following described unclaimed goods, on which there is a failure or neglect to pay the duties within the time prescribed by law:

One case containing 16 dozen SACCHARATED COD LIVER OIL.

One case containing 50 dozen SACCHARATED COD LIVER OIL.

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Notices of Patents.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, August 11, 1868.

ORONON CRONSON, of Worcester, Mass., having petitioned for an extension of the patent granted him on the 14th day of November, 1854, for an improvement in Looms for Weaving Figured Fabrics:

It is ordered that said petition be heard at this office on the 28th day of October next. Any person may oppose this extension. Objections, depositions and other papers should be filed in this office twenty days before the day of hearing.

ELISHA FOOTE, Commissioner of Patents. au17-w3w

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., August 8, 1868.

CHESLEY JARNAGIN, of Beans' Station, Tennessee, having petitioned for an extension of the patent granted him on the 31st day of October, 1854, for an improvement in "Seats for Wagons," it is ordered that said petition be heard at this office on the 12th day of October next.

Any person may oppose this extension. Objections, depositions, and other papers should be filed in this office twenty days before the day of hearing.

ELISHA FOOTE, au13-Th3w Commissioner of Patents.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., July 29, 1868.

CLARA B. SNOW, of Independence, Iowa, executrix of the estate of Harvey Snow, deceased, having petitioned for an extension of the patent granted to the said Harvey Snow the 21st day of November, 1854, for an improvement in Pressure Bar for Planing Machines; it is ordered that said petition be heard at this office on the 24th day of November next. Any person may oppose this extension. Objections, depositions, and other papers, should be filed in this office twenty days before the day of hearing.

ELISHA FOOTE, au13-Th3w Commissioner of Patents.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., July 22, 1868.

William Porter, of Williamsburg, N. Y., having petitioned for an extension of the patent granted him on the 24th day of October, 1854, for an improvement in "securing lamps to lanterns":

It is ordered that said petition be heard at this office on the 19th day of October next. Any person may oppose this extension. Objections, depositions, and other papers should be filed in this office twenty days before the day of hearing.

ELISHA FOOTE, au12-W3w Commissioner of Patents.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D.C., August 13, 1868.

JACOB SWARTZ, of Philadelphia, Pa., having petitioned for an extension of the patent granted him on the 14th day of November, 1854, reissued on the 8th day of June, 1860, and again reissued in three divisions, numbered 1315, 1314, and 1315, on the 3d day of June, 1862, for an improvement in Harvesters:

It is ordered that said petition be heard at this office on the 21 day of November next. Any person may oppose this extension. Objections, depositions, and other papers should be filed in this office twenty days before the day of hearing.

ELISHA FOOTE, au10-W3w Commissioner of Patents.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D.C., August 12, 1868.

JOHN CRAM, of Boston, Massachusetts, having petitioned for an extension of the patent granted him on the 28th day of November, 1854, for an improvement in Towel Stand or Clothes Horse:

It is ordered that said petition be heard at this office on the 9th day of November next. Any person may oppose this extension. Objections, depositions, and other papers, should be filed in this office twenty days before the day of hearing.

ELISHA FOOTE, au12-Th3w Commissioner of Patents.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, July 13, 1868.

On the petition of JOHN ROSS, of Brooklyn, N. Y., administrator of the estate of Charles Ross, deceased, praying for the extension of a patent granted to the said Charles Ross, the 9th day of September, 1854, for an improvement in Grinding Surfaces of Mills, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 17th day of October, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday, the 28th day of September next, at 12 o'clock m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

Depositions and other papers, relied upon as testimony, must be filed in the office twenty days before the day of hearing; the arguments, if any, within five days after filing the testimony.

Ordered, also, that this notice be published in the REPUBLICAN and the *Intelligencer*, Washington, D. C., and in the *Atlas*, New York, N. Y., once a week for three successive weeks; the first of said publications to be at least sixty days previous to the day of hearing.

A. M. STOUT, jy13-S3w Acting Commissioner of Patents.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, July 10, 1868.

On the petition of ESRA N. HOSKEVEN, of Cambridge, Mass., praying for the extension of a patent granted to him the 10th day of October, 1854, for an improvement in Compounds for Neutralizing Chlorine, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 10th day of October, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on MONDAY, the 28th day of September next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

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A. M. STOUT, jy13-W3t Acting Commissioner of Patents.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, May 15, 1868.

On the petition of JOSHUA GIBBS, of Canton, Ohio, praying for the extension of a patent granted to him the 15th day of August, 1854, for an improvement in Ploughs, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 15th day of August, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on MONDAY, the 27th day of July next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

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A. M. STOUT, my13-W3t Acting Commissioner of Patents.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, July 20, 1868.

In pursuance of Treasury regulations, I shall offer for sale, at public auction, on FRIDAY, 28th August next, at 12 o'clock, m., at the United States Public Store, on the southeast corner of Lombard and Gay streets, the following described unclaimed goods, on which there is a failure or neglect to pay the duties within the time prescribed by law:

One case containing 16 dozen SACCHARATED COD LIVER OIL.

One case containing 50 dozen SACCHARATED COD LIVER OIL.

Imported in the steamship Somerset, Radle, master, from Liverpool, on the 25th day of May, 1867, being marked and consigned on ship's manifest to Dr. S. M. Schley, Savannah, Ga.

EDWIN H. WEBSTER, Collector.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, July 20, 1868.

On the petition of BARTON H. JENKS, of Bridesburg, Pa., praying for the extension of a patent granted to him the 28th day of October, 1854, for an improvement in Looms, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 28th day of October, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday, the 12th day of October next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file, in the Patent Office, their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

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ELISHA FOOTE, jy25-Th3t Commissioner of Patents.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, June 20, 1868.

On the petition of JOHN J. WEEKS, of Oyster Bay, N. Y., praying for the extension of a patent granted to him the 20th day of September, 1854, which patent was surrendered, and application for re-issue made in four divisions, for an improvement in Harvesters of Grain and Grass, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 20th day of September, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on MONDAY, the 7th day of September next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, June 8, 1868.

On the petition of GEORGE CHILDS, of Boston, Massachusetts, praying for the extension of a patent granted to him the 26th day of September, 1854, and re-issued the 27th day of September, 1864, for an improvement in Furnace or Burning Generator and Radiator, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 26th day of September, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on MONDAY, the 21st day of August next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

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A. M. STOUT, je13-F3t Acting Commissioner of Patents.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, May 28, 1868.

On the petition of REBECCA A. MARCHER, of New York, N. Y., executrix of Robert J. Marcher, deceased, praying for the extension of a patent granted to the said Robert J. Marcher the 22d day of May, 1855, for an improvement in Tool for Grooving Mouldings, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 22d day of May, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on MONDAY, the 21st day of December next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

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A. M. STOUT, jy15-F3w Acting Commissioner of Patents.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, July, 7, 1868.

On the petition of ISAAC R. TRIMBLE, of Long Green, Md., praying for the extension of a patent granted to him the 10th day of April, 1855, and antedated October 10, 1854, for an improvement in Wooden Spike-plates for Railways, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 10th day of October, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday the 28th day of September next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

Depositions and other papers, relied upon as testimony, must be filed in the office twenty days before the day of hearing; the arguments, if any, within ten days after filing the testimony.

Ordered, also, that this notice be published in the REPUBLICAN and the *Intelligencer*, Washington, D. C., and in the *Commercial Advertiser*, New York, N. Y., once a week for three successive weeks; the first of said publications to be at least sixty days previous to the day of hearing.

A. M. STOUT, jy14-Tu3t Acting Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, June 15, 1868.

On the petition of WILLIAM THOMPSON, of Philadelphia, Pa., praying for the extension of a patent granted to him the 18th day of September, 1854, for an improvement in Safety Washer for Securing Wheels to Axles, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 18th day of September, 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent office on MONDAY, the 21st day of August next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

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Ordered, also, that this notice be published in the REPUBLICAN and the *Intelligencer*, Washington, D. C., and in the *Age*, Philadelphia, Pa., once a week for three successive weeks; the first of said publications to be at least sixty days previous to the day of hearing.

A. M. STOUT, jy13-Tu3t Acting Commissioner of Patents.

Letter from Lancaster.

LANCASTER, PA., August 20, 1868.

Editor Republican:

Yesterday we took a general stroll around the town, and the more we see of Lancaster the more we become impressed with its beauty. A visit to the magnificent pressed brick house of Empire Hook and Ladder Company will repay any one. The truck is one of the most handsome and durable in the United States, and the plate on the front circle is of solid silver, wrought from Mexican dollars, with a fine spread eagle engraved thereon, a scroll in its beak bearing the word "Empire." The sitting-room in the upper hall is sixty-five feet long, thirty feet wide, and ceiling twenty feet high. This room is furnished in a gorgeous manner, a beautiful Brussells carpet on the floor, and the sofas and chairs in green rep, with solid oak pannels. The walls are hung with elegant pictures, and silk banners, streamers, and flags. The tables are marble-top, and over the president's chair are suspended two miniature silk American flags, which are highly prized by the company, owing to their being a relic of the battle of Gettysburg, and were brought on with the remains of the gallant General J. F. Reynolds, who fell in that memorable battle. Charles M. Howell, esq., proprietor of the extensive marble works, and a leading citizen of the town, is the president of the company, and is much esteemed by the membership. The engine-houses here are nearly always closed, members possessing keys, and no "loafing" is permitted in and about the premises, as is the case in most all other cities.

There are fifteen churches here, two Roman Catholic, two Methodist, two German Reformed, one Presbyterian, three Lutheran, two Episcopalian, and one Bethel, one Evangelical and one Moravian. These edifices are neat and capacious, and have full congregations.

The press is well represented, there being seven papers published here, two published daily in the afternoon, three weekly, and one semi-weekly.

The jail is a secure and capacious institution, located on East King Street, and contains at this time about two hundred prisoners. The reservoir is east of the jail, and the alms-house southeast thereof.

The house of the Shiffler Hose, on South Queen street, is still an object of attraction to strangers, from the fact that the late Hon. Thaddeus Stevens was the president of the company up to the time of his death. The distinguished deceased seemed to take much pride in the company, and a short time since ordered a new four-wheel hose carriage in Philadelphia, which is now ready for delivery to the company. The present engine-house of the Shiffler was purchased with the proceeds of a sale of a piece of property donated to the company by Mr. Stevens.

We find three fine cotton mills here, run by steam power, and employing in the aggregate about 1,000 men, girls and boys. An animating time is observable daily in front of these mills at the hour of noon, when hundreds of little boys and girls and old men and women with tin kettles and small baskets can be seen congregated about the main doors waiting for the bell to ring at 12 o'clock. Then the poor operatives have one hour to their meals, and the rush of these people for the doors to obtain their dinners brought them by those outside is truly terrific. A grand scramble is often the result, and it is not unfrequently some of the poor little children, with kettle or basket in hand, are knocked over, the dinner lost, and the person or persons for whom it was intended compelled to go to work until six o'clock in the evening upon an empty stomach.

Messrs. John Reese and Hartman appear to be successful as oyster dealers and venders of country produce. The firm is very wealthy, owning and running a number of freight cars on the several roads, by which means they obtain supplies for their trade.

Ground hogs, something new to us, are scarce here and considered quite a delicacy. Cooper, the proprietor of the hotel bearing his name, succeeded very cleverly on Saturday in having eleven of these animals prepared for Sunday dinner, not only without cost, but he made something by the operation. It was done somewhat after this manner: Cooper has a neighbor, a gentleman well to do, named Samuel Kissinger, who is reputed as being addicted to over-estimate everything he engages in, whether it be the number of fish he hooks, or the quantity of game he bags. Cooper called on his friend Kissinger, and told him he had eleven ground hogs. This Mr. K. doubted, when C. wagered $2 50 on the truthfulness of his statement. The bet was accepted, K. adding that if he were shown eleven hogs he would skin and clean them without charge, but for every one under that number he was to receive $1 each for skinning. On Saturday morning, arm in-arm Mr. K. was shown by Cooper eleven fat ground hogs lying in the cellar of the premises of the latter gentleman. Convinced by ocular demonstration, Mr. Kissinger requested Cooper to permit the animals to be removed to a shed in the rear of the hotel, which was done, and Mr. K. took off his coat, rolled up his sleeves, and commenced the tedious fulfilment of his promise to skin and clean eleven hogs. The work was commenced about 8 a.m., and it was past 1 o'clock, p.m., before Mr. K. dropped his knife and washed his hands, having been occupied alone more than five hours in finishing the job. The joke on Mr. K. flew like wildfire over the town, and many glasses of "lager" were tipped at the expense of the gentleman who doubted that any one person could show him eleven ground hogs at one time.

There are numerous fine establishments here, and the merchants appear to be energetic and successful in their business operations. One of the most extensive hat stores we have seen for some time is situated at No. 29 North Green street, conducted by Messrs. Shultz & Brother. This establishment is crowded at nearly all times with purchasers, and the proprietors appear to be great favorites in the town. N. S.

The Merchants' Protective Union—Ratings as to Standing and Credit.

It is generally known that there are in the city of New York establishments styling themselves "Institutions," "Commercial Agencies," or "Mercantile Agencies," which are supposed to have great influence and actual power in producing or prejudicing the standing and credit of business men throughout the Union. Having their own secret agents in nearly every city, town, village, and at almost every cross-road in the length and breadth of the whole land, these concerns have become interwoven with the whole mercantile system of the country. Every merchant, trader, manufacturer, and banker, whether likely or not to make purchases on time or to ask for credit in any of the principal cities, is fully reported at their headquarters; his business, means, "respectability," standing, are published, and even his private habits are detailed and open to the inquiry of their customers. So complete and thorough a system of espionage as these concerns have everywhere extended, is probably unknown even to the police departments of France or Austria.

So long as business shall continue to be done upon the credit system, establishments of this nature will probably continue to exist, in some form or another; but the mode in which they have been conducted—namely, by printing books of reports, in which tens of thousands of business men are denoted by a dash (—) or an asterisk (*), an interrogation point (?) or some similar mark, signifying that the party so indicated is "not recommended for credit," or that the customer should "inquire at the office"—must, in view of recent decisions in slander and libel suits, be materially modified.

These establishments, with their numerous clerks, standing behind long rows of desks, on which lie ponderous volumes wherein can be learned a story, whether true or false, of every merchant in any part of the country whatever, will probably modify their business, or pass away—the liability, in view of recent decisions to slander suits arising out of their operations being too heavy to incur.

In the Merchantile Agency case of Beardsley against Tappan, the plaintiff recovered ten thousand dollars; and upon a motion for a new trial, made before the United States Circuit Court for the Southern District of New York, the Hon. Samuel Nelson, one of the ablest Justices of the Supreme Court, has delivered an opinion denying the motion, holding that the publicity given to information depreciatory of the standing and character of merchants, "by recording the libelous words in a book, deprived the communication of its otherwise privileged character." He was further of opinion that "to legalize these establishments in the manner and to the extent used by the defendant, is placing one portion of the mercantile community under an organized system of espionage and inquisition for the benefit of the other, exposed, from the very nature of the organization, to perversion and abuse.

With the view of obviating the objectionable features of the former systems, a company, with a capital stock of $500,000, divided into $10 shares, has been organized and incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, under the title of The Merchants' Prot